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The following is a consolidated report of state operations and fire activity in Southern California. Information in this report is gathered from state and county offices of emergency services. Some information may not be verified.

General Report:

Thanks to the tireless efforts of our firefighters, support crews, emergency responders, and generous volunteers, all our California wildfires have been 100% contained. Consequently, this will be the final FireWatch update. We are pleased that we have been able to present FireWatch readers with clear, concise and up to the minute information about the fires and available resources.

The Joint Committee on Emergency Services and Homeland Security will be conducting hearings in the very near future. Information on hearings will be available at www.assembly.ca.gov/nava. Again, our deepest thanks to everyone who responded to this disaster. Our prayers go out to those who lost loved ones and who face the task of rebuilding.

Southern California Wildfires by the Numbers

Total Acres Burned to Date: 517,267

Structures Destroyed: 3,204

Structures Damaged: 246

Fatalities and Injuries: Fatalities 9 Injuries 139

Recovery

Local Assistance Centers / Disaster Recovery Centers have reported 25,835 services visits as of 11/08/07. Many of the LACs are transitioning into Disaster Recovery Centers as needed. See page 6 for more information.

Donations Management

- * The Donations Desk received 18 calls and/or inquiries on 11/8/07. Total calls date: 1110
- * Continued the coordination for the delivery of an electric wheelchairs and scooter to San Diego area fire victims.
- * Obtained a donation for 200 Non-ioninzing HEPA air filters. The multi-agency warehouse will distribute to fire victims with respiratory needs.
- * Donations coordinated the delivery of donated pallet jacks to the multi-agency warehouse from Pennsylvania.

LINKS TO RESOURCES:

California Department of Emergency Services

http://www.oes.ca.gov

California Department of Insurance http://www.insurance.ca.gov

CalTrans Highway Conditions http://www.dot.ca.gov/fireclosures.php

Firefighting Resources of California Organized for Potential Emergencies - FIRESCOPE

http://www.firescope.org

California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection - CAL FIRE http://www.fire.ca.gov

National Interagency Fire Center http://www.nifc.gov

National Interagency Coordination Center

http://www.nifc.gov/news/nicc.html

National Fire News

http://www.nifc.gov/fire_info/nfn.htm

Fire weather from the National Weather Service

http://fire.boi.noaa.gov/

NOAAWatch page for weather, fire and other information

http://www.noaawatch.gov

Fire information and links from the US Forest Service

http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/reports.sht ml

San Diego Humane Society & SPCA http://www.sdhumane.org

COUNTY FIRE INFORMATION:

Los Angeles http://lacoa.org/
Los Angeles County Office of

Los Angeles County Office of Emergency Management

1275 N. Eastern Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90063 (323) 980-2261

Orange http://www.oc.ca.gov/

Orange County Office of Emergency Services

2644 Santiago Canyon Road Silverado, CA 92676 (714) 628-7055

Riverside

www.rvcfire.org/opencms/functions/oes/

Riverside County Office of Emergency Services

4080 Lemon Street, Suite 8 Riverside, CA 92502-1412 (951) 955-4700

Santa Barbara

http://www.countyofsb.org/index.asp

Santa Barbara County Office of Emergency Services

105 East Anapamu Street #102 Santa Barbara, CA 93101 805-681-5526

San Bernardino

http://www.sbcfire.org/oes

San Bernardino County Office of Emergency Services

1743 W. Miro Way Rialto, CA 92376 (909) 356-3998

Ventura

http://www.vcsd.org/oes/fire.html

Ventura County Office of Emergency Services

800 South Victoria Avenue Ventura, CA 93009

Fire Hotline: (805) 388-4276

San Diego

http://www.sdcountyemergency.com/

San Diego County Office of Emergency Services

5555 Overland Avenue Building 19 San Diego, CA 92123 (858) 565-3490

SAN DIEGO COUNTY

San Diego: Public Info # 858-565-3171 or 858-565-3172 Media # 858-565-3171 or

858-565-3172

San Diego County has developed a "Firestorm 2007 Recovery", a comprehensive response website for residents. The one stop site, www.sdcountyrecovery.com has links to General Recovery Resources, Returning to your Business, Disaster Recovery FAQ, Agricultural Business Losses, Animals, Lost Animals, Safety Measures, Dead Animals, Volunteering, Cleanup Information, Ash Debris: Public Health Tips & Cleanup, Swimming Pools, Propane Gas, Air Quality, Air Quality Information, Food Safety, Boil Water Alerts, Counseling and Community Relief and Rebuild Your Life.

CONTAINED

POOMACHA FIRE

Acres Burned: 49, 410 % Contained: 100

Crews continue to mop up and cold trail however progress in this area will be slow due to snags and extremely steep terrain. All OES personnel and equipment have been demobilized, all out of county local government equipment has also been demobilized. 379 personnel are currently assigned.

WITCH FIRE

Acres Burned: 197,990 % Contained: 100

HARRIS FIRE

Acres Burned: 90,440 % Contained: 100

RICE INCIEDNT Acres Burned: 9,000 % Contained: 100

Structures: 208 structures & 40 outbuildings destroyed

PENDLETON COMPLEX (AMMO FIRE & WILCOX FIRE)

Acres Burned: 19, 353 % Contained: 100

Structures: 100 residences threatened

MC COY FIRE Acres Burned: 300 % Contained: 100

Structures: 1 outbuilding destroyed

CORONADO HILLS FIRE Acres Burned: 300 % Contained: 100

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Los Angeles County: Public Info # 800-980-4990

L.A. County Assessor offers fire damage tax relief. The State Revenue and Taxation Code, Section 170/Misfortune and Calamity, allows reassessment of property sustaining at least \$10,000 in damage. This process can result in a corrected tax bill or refund. Any adjustment or proration of taxes will be based on the reduction in value from the date of damage through the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008.

See http://lacounty.gov/cms1_077154.pdf.

CONTAINED

RANCH FIRE

Acres Burned: 58,401 % Contained: 100

Structures: 1 home & 8 buildings destroyed.

CANYON FIRE

Acres Burned: 4,500 % Contained: 100

Structures: 6 homes & 2 businesses destroyed; 9 homes damaged; 600 residences, 200

commercial buildings & 100 outbuildings threatened.

BUCKWEED FIRE

Acres Burned: 38,356 % Contained: 100

Structures: 21 residences & 22 outbuildings destroyed; 15 residences damaged.

MAGIC INCIDENT Acres Burned: 2824 % Contained: 100 Structures: n/a

MEADOWRIDGE FIRE Acres Burned: 20 % Contained: 100 Structures: n/a

ORANGE COUNTY

Orange County: Public Info # 714-628-7085 Media # 714-573-6200

CONTAINED

Santiago Fire

Acres Burned: Approximately 28,400

% Contained: 100

Crews continue to mop-up and improve containment lines. All OES equipment and personnel have been demobilized. All out of county local government equipment have been demobilized. 206 personnel are currently assigned. This is the last report on this incident.

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

San Bernardino: Public Info # 909-355-8800 Media # 909-383-5600

The San Bernardino County Assessor's Office will release information on damaged and destroyed homes the moment it becomes available and is verified. The information will also be released on the Web site of the San Bernardino County Assessor's Office shortly after the information is made available at the shelters. Residents may access the assessor's site directly at www.sbassessor.org or by visiting the county Web site at www.sbcounty.gov and following the Disaster Information links to access the information.

CONTAINED

SLIDE FIRE

Acres Burned: 12, 759 % Contained: 100

Structures: 200 Residences and 3 outbuildings destroyed; 10,000 threatened

GRASS VALLEY FIRE Acres Burned: 1,247 % Contained: 100

Structures: 100 homes destroyed; 6,000 threatened

CAJON INCIDENT Acres Burned: 250 % Contained: 100 Structures: n/a

RIVERSIDE COUNTY

Riverside County: Public Info # 909-955-4700

CONTAINED

ROSA FIRE

Acres Burned: 411 % Contained: 100 Structures: n/a

ROCA FIRE

Acres Burned: 270 % Contained: 100 Structures: n/a

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

Santa Barbara: Public Info # 805-961-5770 Vulnerable Population Hotline # 805-968-

0462

CONTAINED

SEDGEWICK FIRE Acres Burned: 710 % Contained: 100 Structures: n/a

ESSENTIAL FACILITIES ACTIVATED-"One-Stop Shop" Centers

Local Assistance Centers (LACs), Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs) and Disaster Loan Outreach Centers (DLOC's) currently open as of 11/05/2007:

Local Assistance Centers

San Diego County Rancho Bernardo Glassman Recreation Center 18448 West Bernardo Drive San Diego, CA 92127

Rancho San Diego-Cuyamaca College 900 Rancho San Diego Parkway El Cajon, CA 92109

Ramona Community School 1710 Montecito Rd. Ramona, CA 92065

Fallbrook Community Center 341 Heald Ln. Fallbrook, CA 92028

Disaster Recovery Centers

Los Angeles County George A. Caravalho, Santa Clarita Complex 20880 Centre Pointe Parkway Santa Clarita, CA 91350

San Bernardino County
National Orange Show Fairgrounds
689 South E St.
San Bernardino, CA 92408

Hootman Senior Community Center 2929 Running Springs School Road Running Springs, CA 92382

Disaster Loan Outreach Centers

Orange County
One Stop Center/Strip Mall
125 Technology Way
Irvine, CA

Los Angeles County Malibu Bluff's Park 24250 Pacific Coast Hwy. Malibu, CA 90265

The following state agencies are planning to participate in the LACs: State OES, EDD, Contractor's Board, Department of Insurance, Veteran's Affairs, Department of Motor Vehicles, Health Services, Social Services, Franchise Tax Board, and Board of Equalization.

For more information, see http://www.oes.ca.gov/